## <u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1-13 are pending. By this Amendment, claim 13 is withdrawn and claims 1-12 remain unchanged.

The Examiner indicated that the application contains claims directed to the following species:

- (1) Figures 1a-4;
- (2) Figures 5a-5b; and
- (3) Figures 6a-6b.

Applicant is required to elect a single species to be examined. By this Amendment, Applicant respectfully elects, without traverse, Species (1) Figures 1a-4, and claims 1-12 which are readable on Species (1).

Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the non-elected species and other aspects of the application in one or more divisional patent applications.

## **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, examination of the current application on the merits is respectfully requested.

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